

# Avifauna of Zambre Reservoir, Chandgad, Dist-Kolhapur (Maharashtra)

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**Abstract:** *The main objective of this study work was to assess the present status of avian diversity at Zambre dam and forest. Frequent visits were made to dam site and surrounding area of forest and regular observation of biodiversity of avifauna was done from Zambre reservoir Chandgad tahsil. Dist-Kolhapur during October-2020 to February 2021. The observation shows that Birds from Zambre reservoir and forest represents ten orders, like, Anseriformes, Ciconiiformes, Charadriiformes, Falconiformes, Gruiformes, Coraciiformes, Coraciiformes, Piciformes, Galliformes, Ciconiiformes. About 50 species were recorded during study period which could reveal that avian diversity is good. Naturally this can be correlated with physico-chemical properties of water and aquatic vegetation found in Zambre reservoir Chandgad. However, the study area particularly dam site is disturbed due to human activities. More studies are required to make a complete list of available bird species in the study area.*

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